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AN INSTRUCTION BUFFER AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING THE

INSTRUCTION BUFFER WHERE BUFFER ENTRIES ARE ISSUED IN A

PREDETERMINED ORDER (As Amended)

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 4, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

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Listing of the Claims: Amendments to the claims are indicated by the notation "currently amended" in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks: The "REMARKS" section begins on page 6 of this paper.

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